



2013 Deer Trustee Report

Public Action Team Implementation Proposal

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This document shows the original Deer Trustee Report recommendation that the Public Action Team considered when developing proposals for implementing the recommendation in Wisconsin. The Public Action Team's implementation proposal is presented then followed by additional background information.

I. ORIGINAL DEER TRUSTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATION

B.2. Base Antlerless Permit Quotas on DMU historical demand. Even when justified by SAK Indices or other indicators of population size, unlimited or large antlerless permit quotas that greatly exceed historical demand do little to increase actual harvest. However, they are likely to be met with concern and resistance by hunters. We commend the WDNR for using this approach in their 2012 Deer Season Recommendations.

II. PUBLIC ACTION TEAM PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTING THE ABOVE RECOMMENDATION

Below is the Public Action Team implementation proposal along with their rationale and supporting evidence, potential implementation obstacles and consideration of the proposal's potential impact on the overall deer management in Wisconsin.

1. Action Team Implementation Proposal:

- Accept DTR recommendation B-2 as is, "Base antlerless permit quotas on DMU historical demand."

2. Supporting data, references, rationale and other information behind it.

- A recommendation to use DMAP to address local over population numbers was not supported.
- The hunter success rate in each unit helps determine the number of permits required to meet the antlerless quota.

3. Consider and describe potential implementation obstacles or drawbacks.

- When you establish permit quotas on historical demand, are you underselling the problem of over-population? If the number of permits offered doesn't reflect over-population then you are saying there isn't a problem.
- To reduce the herd, offering permits based on historic demand may not allow the opportunity to harvest the established quota needed based on scientific demand. Although we do not have DMAP at this time, it could potentially offer additional antlerless tags where needed.

4. Overall, how will this proposal simplify or complicate deer hunting, management, or research in Wisconsin.

- No comments submitted by the Team.